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Ex parte CHARILAOS CHRISTOPOULOS  
and  
ATHANASIOS SKODRAS

Application No. 09/394,428

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on May 24, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

According to page 3 of the Examiner's Answer mailed January 15, 2004 (Paper No. 15), "[t]he copy of the appealed claims contained in the Appendix to the brief is correct." However, it is noted that the language of claim 11 in the Appendix differs from its last amended version.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to issue a supplemental Examiner's Answer which contains a correct copy of claim 11, or to notify appellants to submit a new Appendix to the Appeal Brief which contains the corrected claim, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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